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TAGS: OTRA GH (BOWSER, WILLIAM)

SUBJ: USDA OFFICIAL'S TRAVEL TO GHANA

REF: NAIROBI 1674 (NOTAL)

1. APPOINTMENTS SUGGESTED BY AGATT MOE FOR BOWSER IN ACCRA WERE CHIEF EXECUTIVE, COCOA MARKETING BOARD (CDR. ADDO); PRINCIPAL SECY., MINISTRY OF COCOA AFFAIRS (DJAN); CHIEF COCOA OFFICER, PRODUCTION DIV (GYASI); GILL AND DUFFUS REP (PRICE); GRACE REP (HATHERLY); AND HERSHEY REP (JORDAN). ALSO, VISIT TO TAFO COCOA RESEARCH INSTITUTE AND SURROUNDING COCOA GROWING AREAS.

2. ADDO AND SENIOR ASSISTANTS WILL BE OUT OF TOWN DURING PROPOSED BOWSER VISIT. DJAN AND HIS COMMISSIONER WILL BE OUT OF GHANA. HATHERLY IS OUT OF GHANA. JORDAN WILL BE AT ABIDJAN BEGINNING 25TH AND HAPPY TO SEE BOWSER THERE. PRICE HAPPY TO SEE BOWSER, AND WE STILL TRYING TO REACH GYASI AND GROUP AT TAFO. HOWEVER, WE HAVE HAD INDEPENDENT INFORMATION GOG COCOA OFFICIALS MAY BE GENERALLY UNAVAILABLE IN NEAR FUTURE.

3. IN VIEW OF FOREGOING, SUGGEST BOWSER RECONSIDER WHETHER
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SPECIAL ABIDJAN/ACCRA/ABIDJAN TRIP AT THIS TIME WORTH HIS

WHILE. OF COURSE, IF HE WISHES TO COME WE WILL TRY TO MAKE
MOST OF HIS VISIT.

4. PLEASE ADVISE.
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